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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

J O I N T R E S O L U T I O N

APPROVING PROJECT STATUS FOR REMEDIATION AND/OR MONITORING OF THE
TRUK-AWAY LANDFILL SUSPECTED HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL SITE
LOCATED IN THE CITY OF WARWICK

Introduced By: Representatives Vella-Wilkinson, Shekarchi, McNamara, Bennett, and
Shanley

Date Introduced: February 15, 2017

Referred To: House Finance

1 WHEREAS, Truk-Away of Rhode Island, Inc. operated a landfill in the city of Warwick
2 located on land currently owned by the state of Rhode Island; and

3 WHEREAS, The Truk-Away landfill, long since identified as a suspected hazardous
4 waste disposal site, is surrounded by wetlands on three (3) sides; and

5 WHEREAS, The department of administration (DOA) must complete a site investigation
6 to determine the environmental conditions in accordance with state and federal regulations; and

7 WHEREAS, The department of transportation has maintained a temporary cap but the
8 DOA has not authorized the expenditures to proceed with the process to test and mitigate the
9 impact of the Truk-Away landfill site; and

10 WHEREAS, The city of Warwick recognizes that project cannot proceed unless the
11 general assembly authorizes the necessary funding for a comprehensive investigation and
12 appropriate environmental response to completely address the Truk-Away landfill site; and

13 WHEREAS, The city of Warwick requests quarterly reports on the progress of the site
14 investigation and clean up, including any assessments that may be used to determine whether
15 further action is warranted; now therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That project status is hereby approved for remediation and/or monitoring of
17 the Truk-Away landfill site, subject to the following additional requirements:

18 (a) The request of the city of Warwick to receive quarterly reports on the progress of the
19 site investigation and clean up is approved; and

1 (b) The general assembly shall appropriate the sum of five hundred thousand dollars
2 (\$500,000) in the state budget for fiscal year 2018 to commence this project; and be it further
3 RESOLVED, That this joint resolution shall take effect upon passage.

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